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**ADVANCED RECIPROCATING
ENGINE SYSTEMS**

PEER Review

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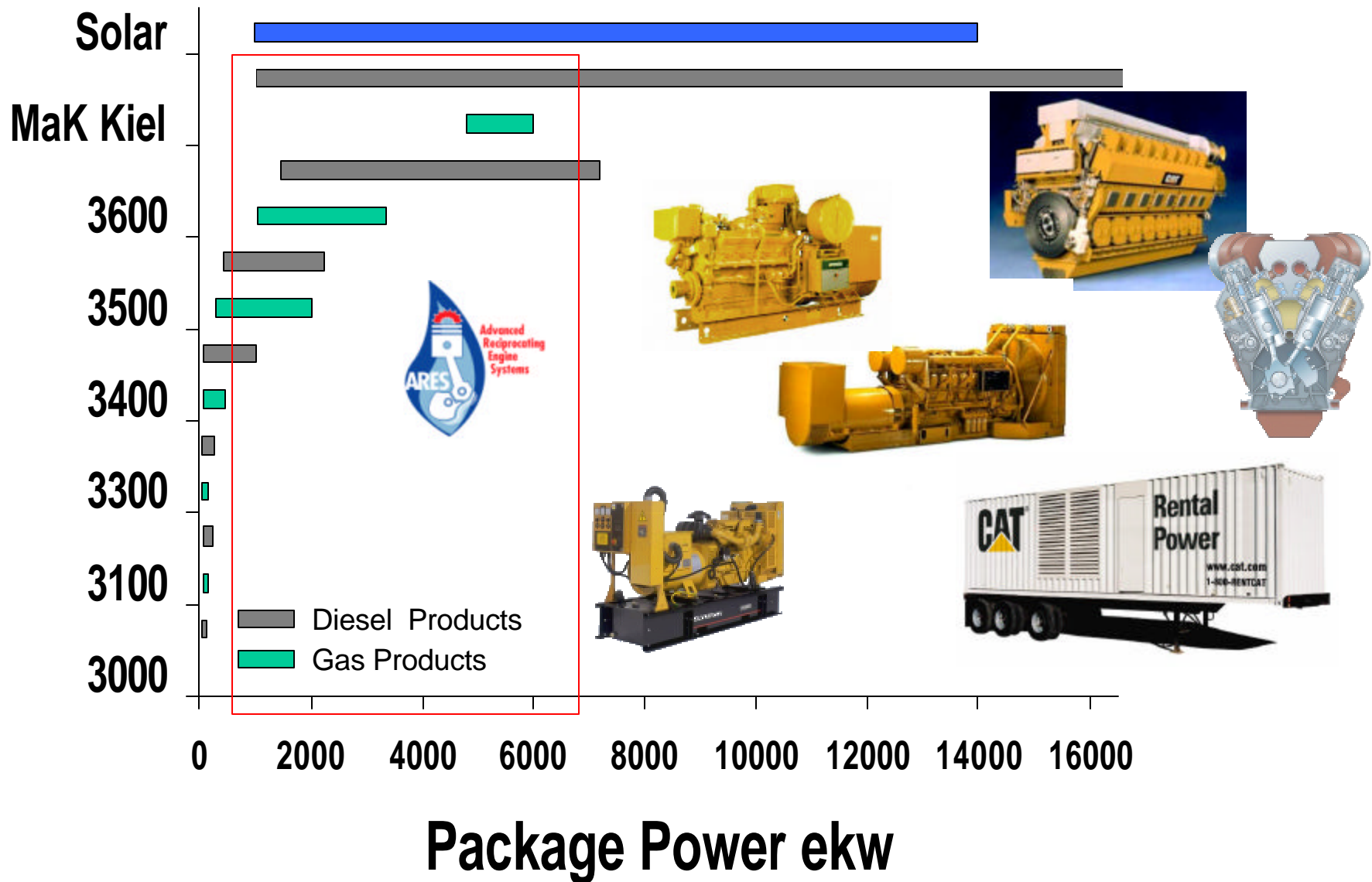
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Agenda:



- **Caterpillar Power Products**
- **ARES Program Overview at Caterpillar**
- **ARES Team Approach**
- **Program Phases and Key Results**
- **Research Program Review**
- **Milestone Update**
- **Program Risks / Opportunities**
- **Program Impact on Distributed Energy**
- **Summary and Near Term Plan**



ARES Program Overview at Caterpillar

Objective:

By 2010, create a natural gas powered reciprocating engine system with the following attributes:

- 50% thermal efficiency
- 0.1 gram/bhp-hr NOx or less
- 10% reduction in first cost / ekw
- No loss of reliability or availability

Approach:

Phased Introduction

I 44% Efficiency
0.50 g/bhp-hr NOx
2004 Intro

II 47% Efficiency
0.1 g/bhp-hr NOx
2007 Intro

III 50% Efficiency
0.1g/bhp-hr NOx
2010 Intro

Program Budget

Required \$70M+
Allocated \$20.5M

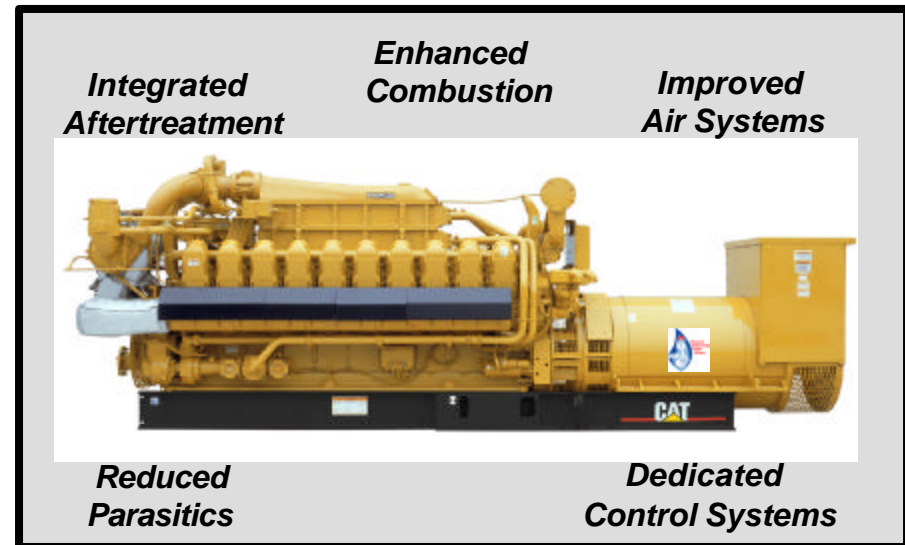
Task Description

Task 1 Component Development / Test
Task 2 Systems Development / Test
Task 3 Engine Integration / Prep
Task 4 Engine Build / Lab Test
Task 5 Pre-Commercial Demonstration

Phase

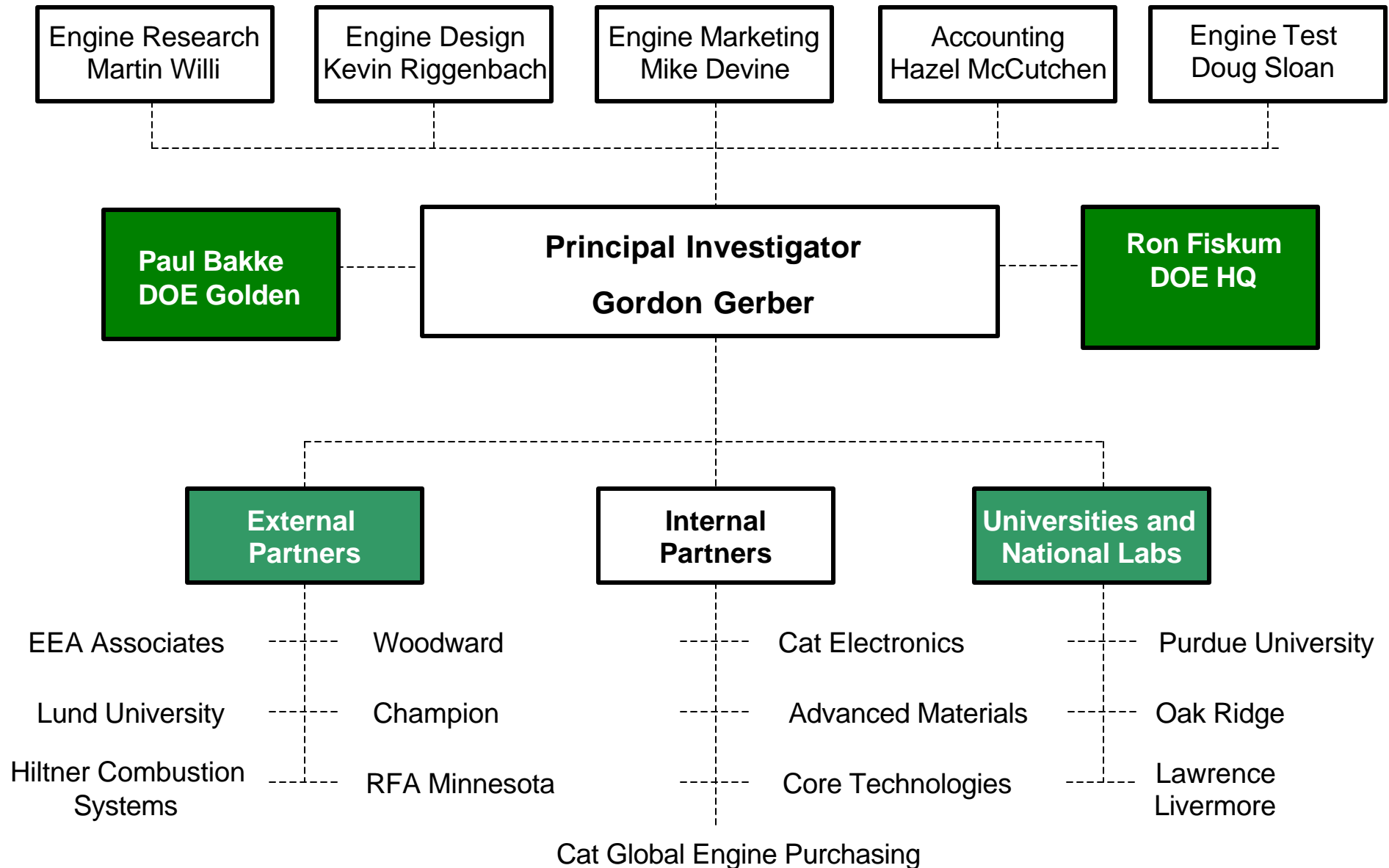
I II III

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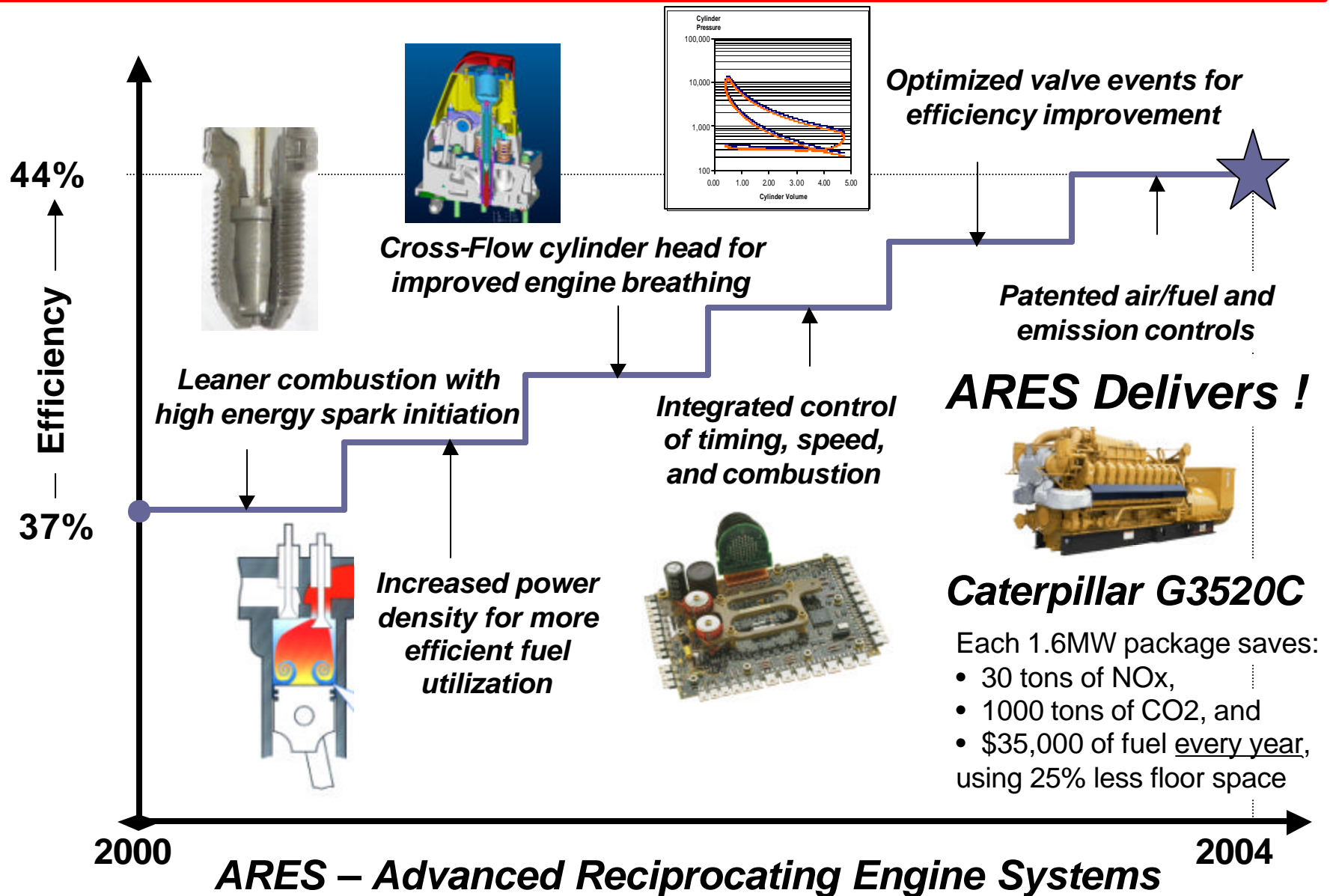


5 Key Development Areas

ARES Team Approach

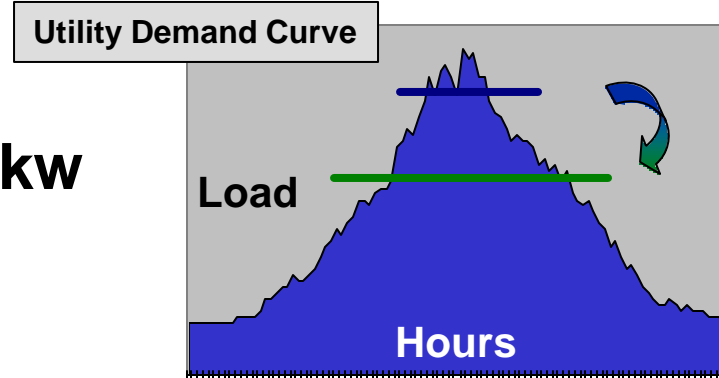


Phase I Approach



Marketplace Demands for ARES

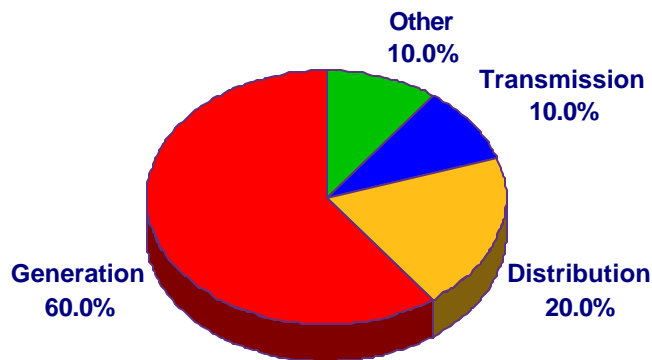
- 1) Attractive Life Cycle Cost
 - Low Installed First Cost/ekw
 - Short Installation Cycle
- 2) Power Quality
- 3) Reliability / Serviceability



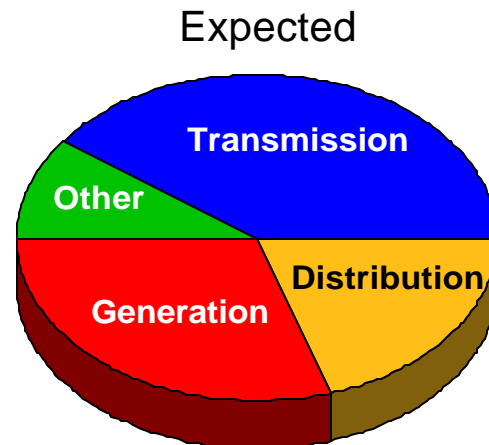
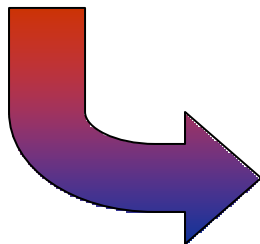
Improved Operating Cost/kw-hr
Allow Increased Time Online

100 – 500 hrs/yr ➡ 100 – 3000 hrs/yr

Keep local rates low, support local economy



Historical Utility Cost Base



Heber City Utah - DER at a Municipal Facility

Qty	Unit	Fuel	Output MW Each	Dispatched Cost/MW-hr	NOx G/bhp-hr
3	G3520C	Gas	1.85	\$37-60	1.0
2	G3516C	Gas	1.50	\$37-60	1.0
2	G3516B	Gas	0.75	\$39-72	1.0
1	G399	Gas	0.65	\$42-78	1.2 w/ SCR
2	3516	Diesel	1.5	\$80-122	.06 w/ SCR



3 x G3520C Units Commissioned 4th Quarter 2002

- 9000 Hours of Operation to Date
- 3000 hrs / year, hourly start / stop cycles
- 5600 feet altitude at 92% power capability
- Full rated power between -20F and 110F

99%+ Availability to date

All Operating Cost Targets Met



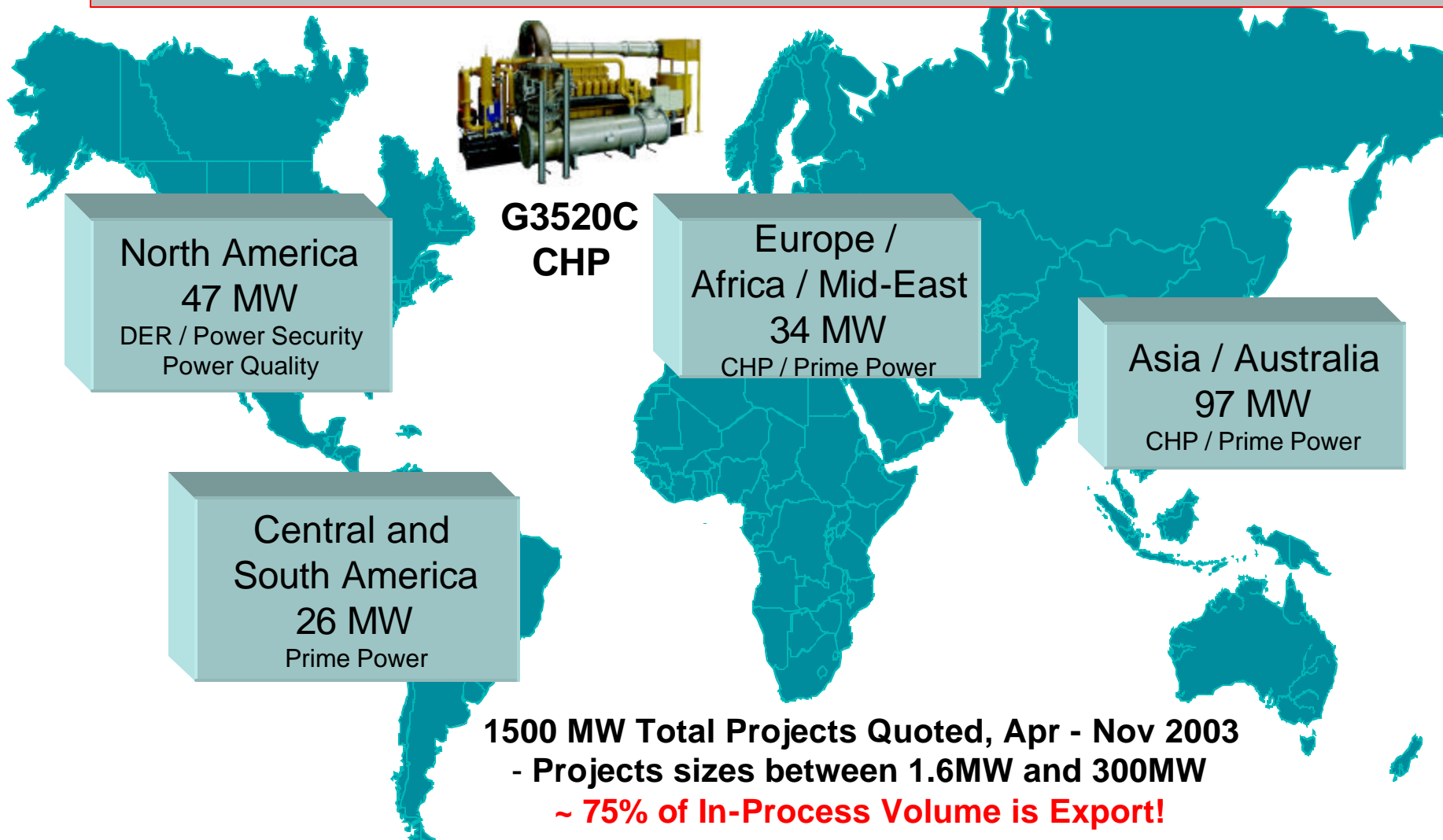
Fuel Prices:

Gas at \$2.00 to \$5.00/mm Btu

Diesel at \$0.75 to \$1.25 / Gallon

Marketplace “Pull” for ARES Technology

204 MW of ARES Power Installed or in Process



ARES Delivers!

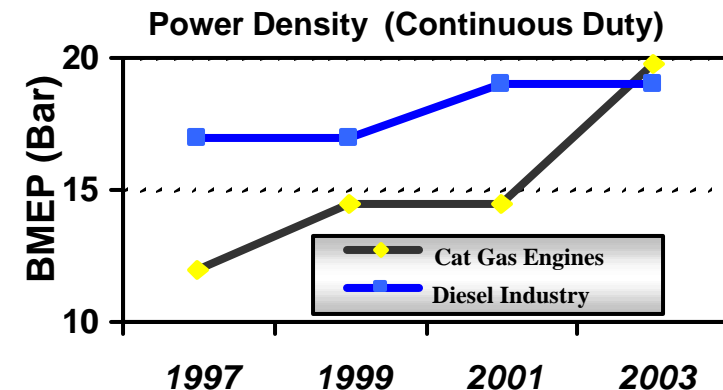
CAT® Electric
Power

Phase I ARES Successes



- **Power Density Impact**

Phase I ARES Gas Engines have higher power density than comparable Diesel Engines at continuous ratings



- **Efficiency Impact**

Phase I Gas engines are 7 points, or 19%, more efficient than pre-ARES models.

- **Emissions Impact**

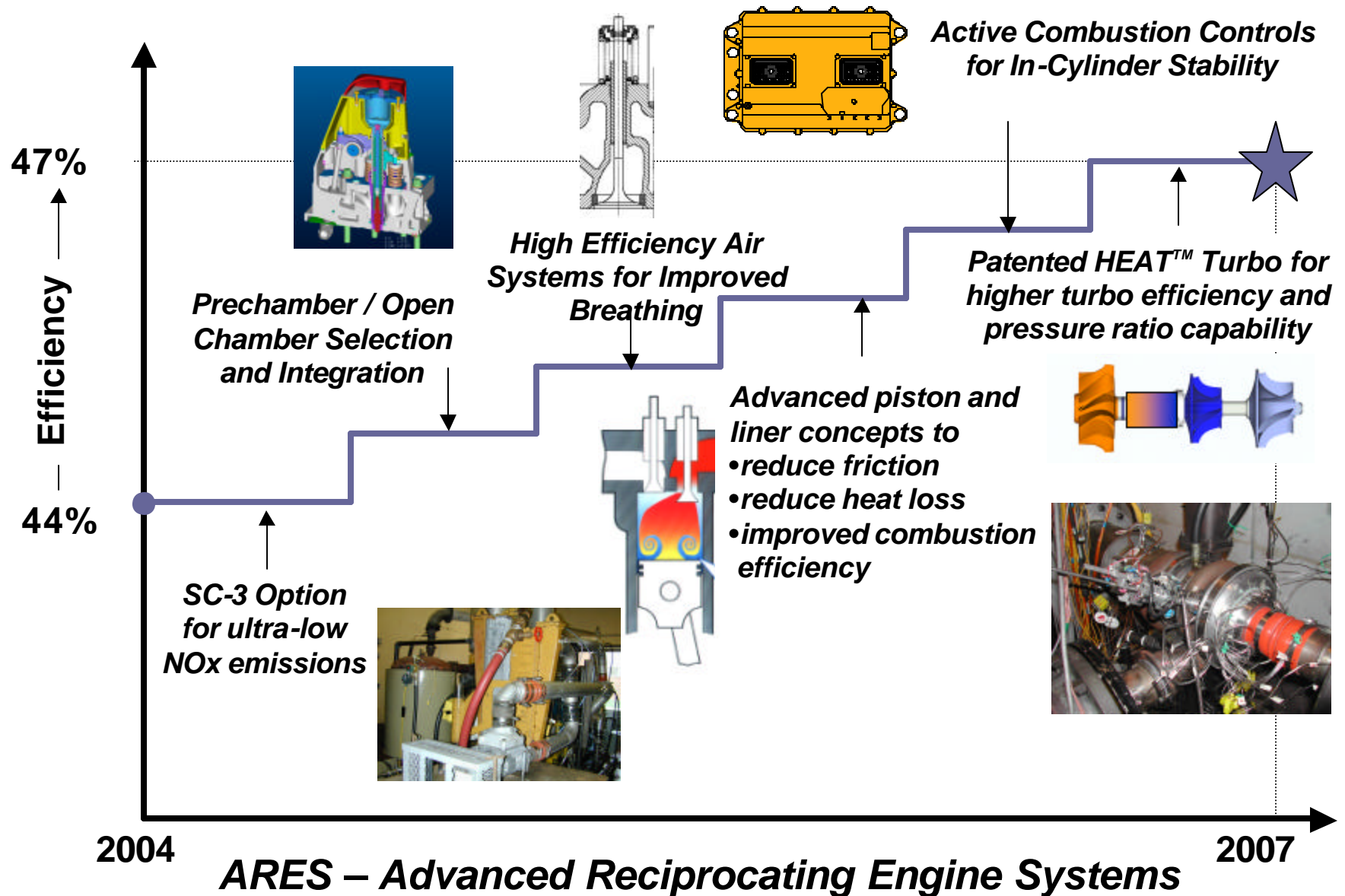
Phase I Gas engines are 75% cleaner on NOx than pre- ARES models.

- **Market Impact**

Early Phase I Gas engines are now being commercialized in worldwide applications.

ARES Delivers !

Phase II Building Blocks

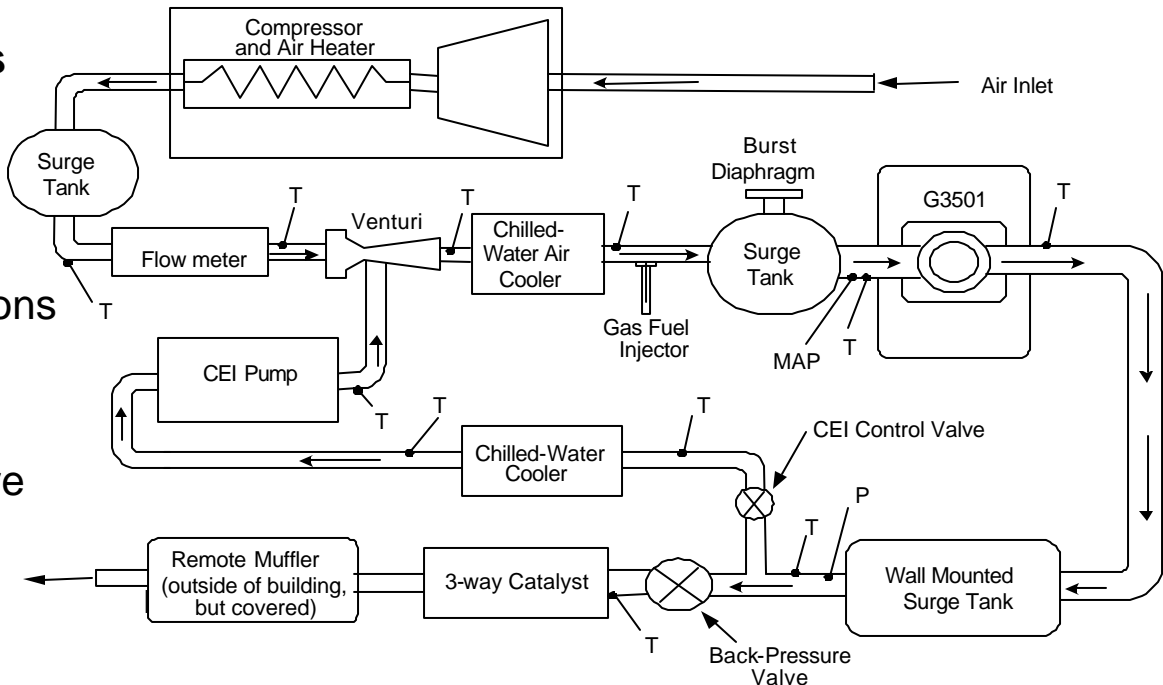


SC-3 Development Option

Stoichiometric - Clean Exhaust Induction – 3 Way Catalyst

Cat 3501 Engine SC-3 Test Goals

- Map of engine performance
 - Engine efficiency
 - Window of operation
 - Extreme operating conditions
- Achieve catalyst out NO_x emissions < 0.1 g/bhp-hr
- Determine if structural limits are reached
- Determine peak SC-3 BMEP



Item	Task	2003					2004											
		Aug	Sep	Oct	Nov	Dec	Jan	Feb	Mar	Apr	May	Jun	Jul	Aug	Sep	Oct	Nov	Dec
1	Define Team and Project Scope	■																
2	Concept Selection		■	■														
3	Write System Level Specifications				■													
4	Mechanical Design and Analysis					■	■	■										
5	Control System Design and Analysis					■	■	■										
6	Procure Parts							■	■									
7	Multi-Cylinder Build								■									
8	Test and Development									■	■	■						
9	Design and Software Updates										■	■						
10	Lab Endurance											■	■					

HEAT™

High Efficiency Advanced Turbocharging

Key Phase II Enabler

Pressure Ratios above 4.5

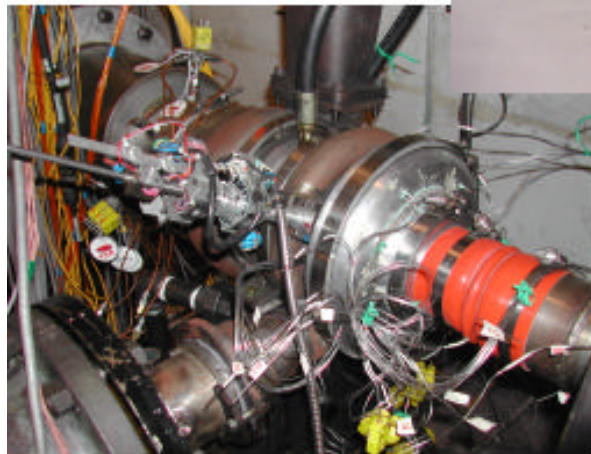
Efficiencies above 70%

2X Expected Bearing Life

Lower Package Costs

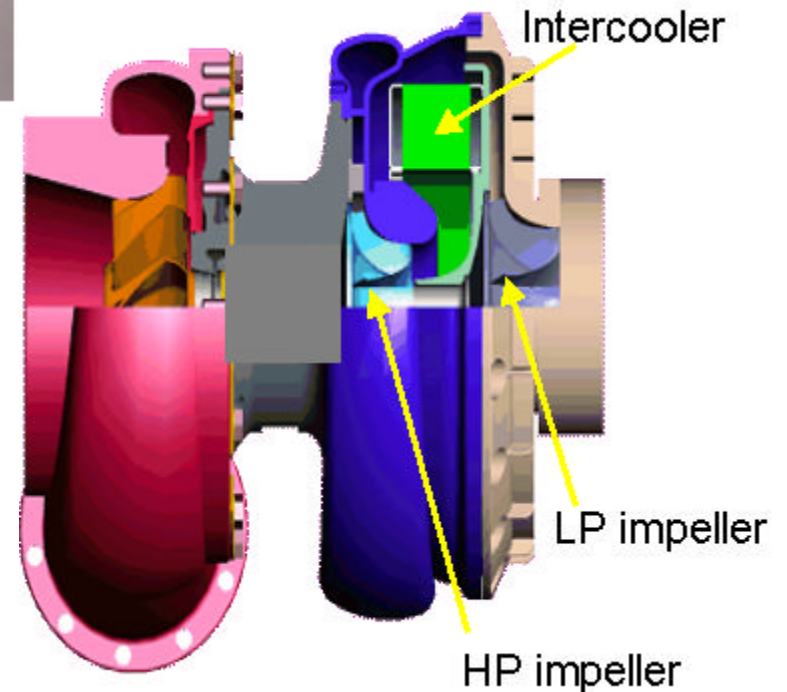
Gas Stand Tests Underway

Initial Tests Positive

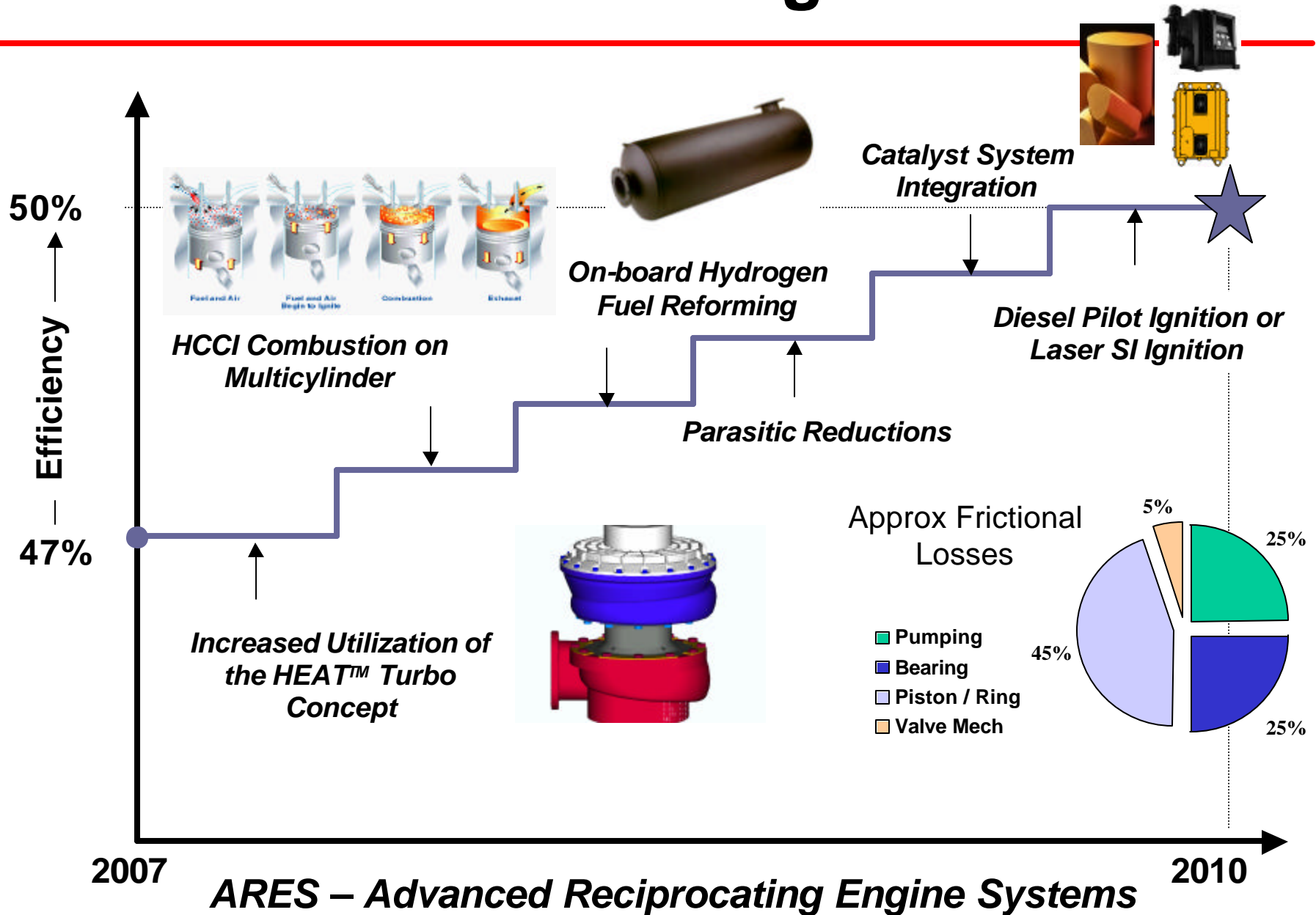


Titanium Aluminide Turbine Wheel Development

Cooperative CRADA Agreement with Oak Ridge Nat Labs



Phase III Building Blocks

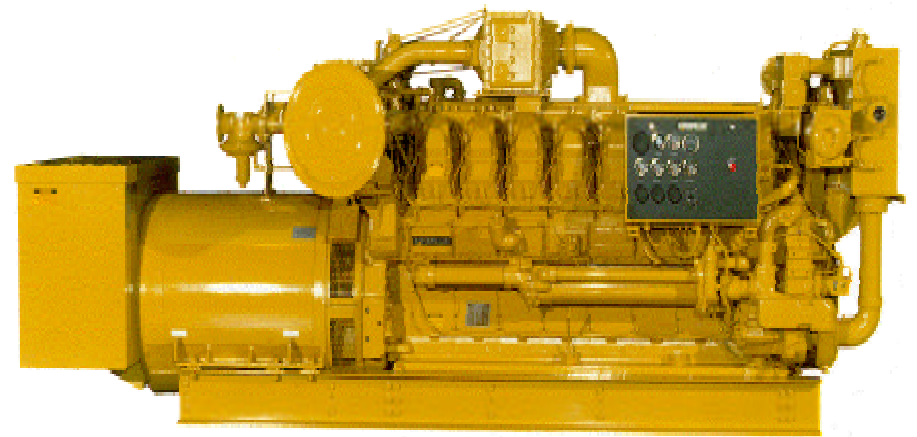


Research Program Review

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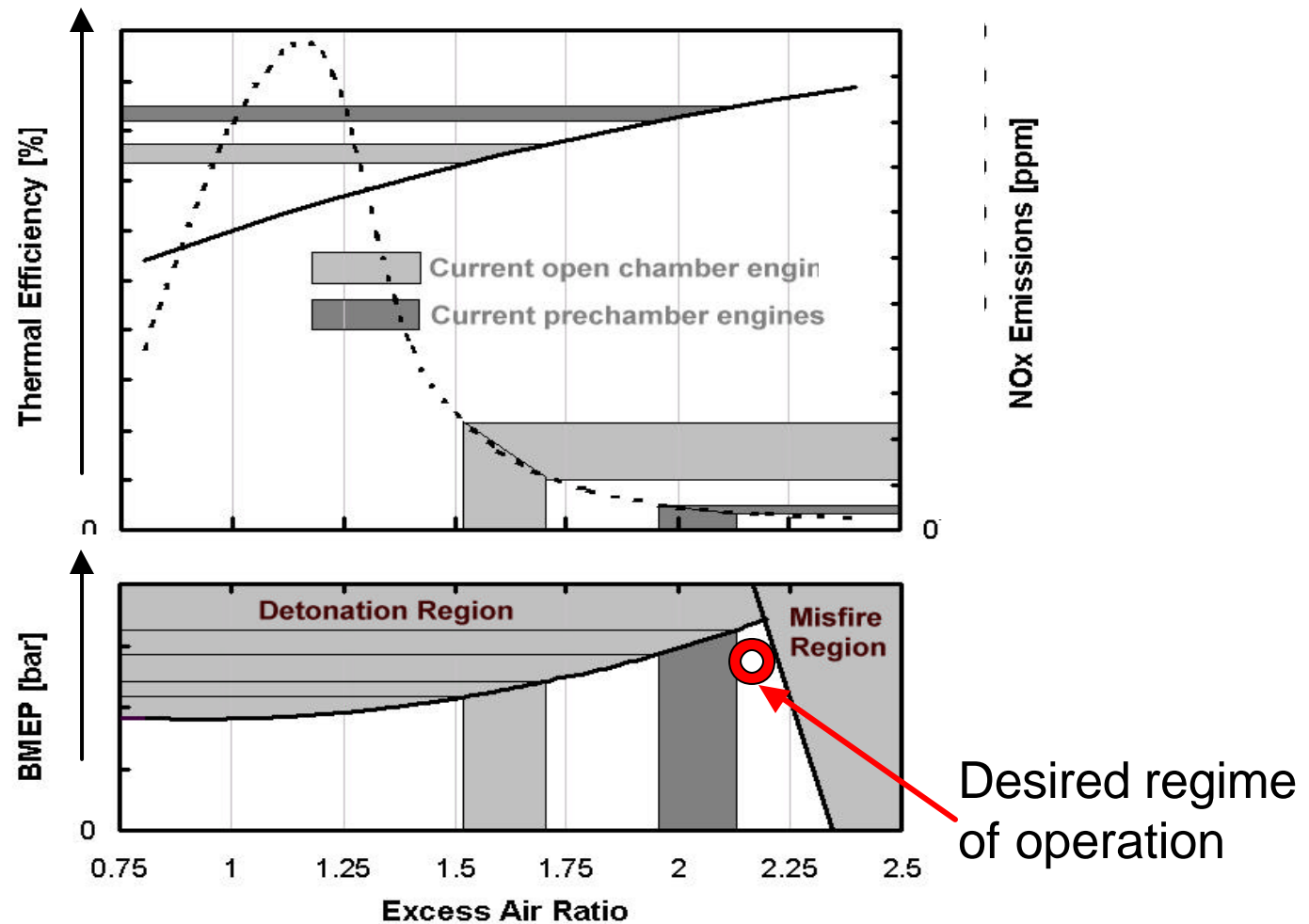


- Performance Emissions Challenge
- Simulation Tools
- Phase II & Phase III
 - Reformed Fuels
 - HCCI
- Next Steps



LEAN BURN COMBUSTION

Performance Characteristics



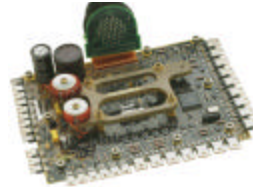
Advanced control strategies needed to evolve lean burn technology

ARES Technology Evaluations



Cross-Flow cylinder head

*Integrated control
of timing, speed,
and combustion*

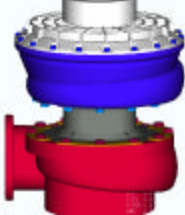


*Leaner
combustion with
high energy
spark initiation*

Phase I

- Advanced Spark-Ignition Technologies
- Improved engine systems

*Increased Utilization of
the HEAT™ Turbo
Concept*



Phase II

- SC-3 Technology →
- HEAT Turbo ←

*SC-3 Option
for ultra-low
NOx emissions*



*HCCI Combustion on
Multicylinder*

Phase III

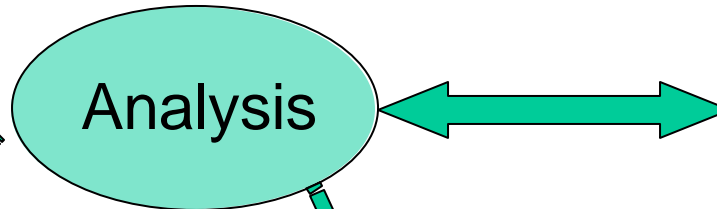
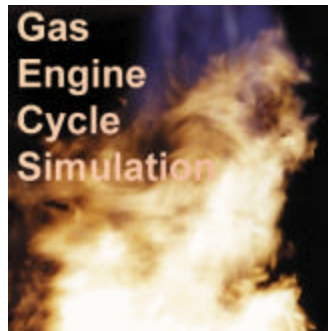
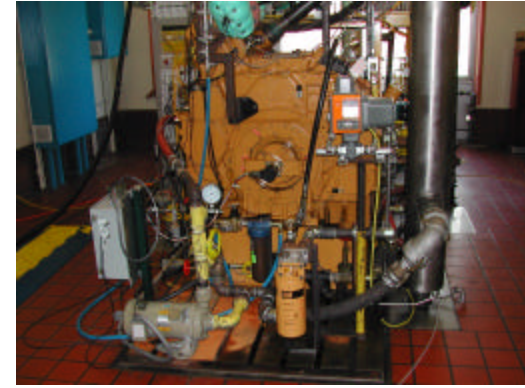
- Reformed Fuel Technology →
- HCCI ←
- Advanced SI technology w/ heat recovery



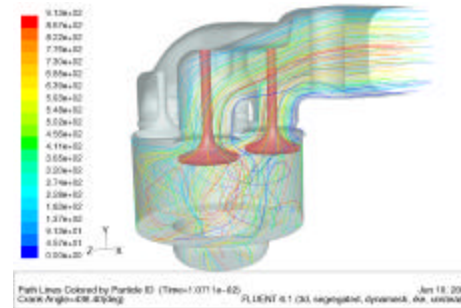
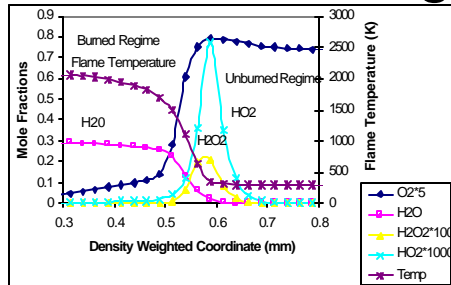
*Catalyst System
Integration*

Caterpillar ARES Technology Evaluation

3501 Experiment



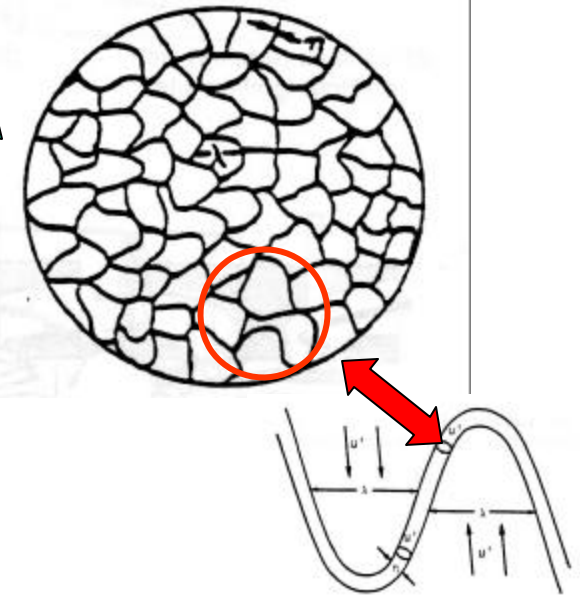
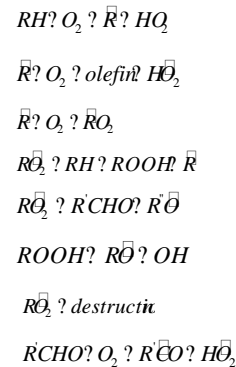
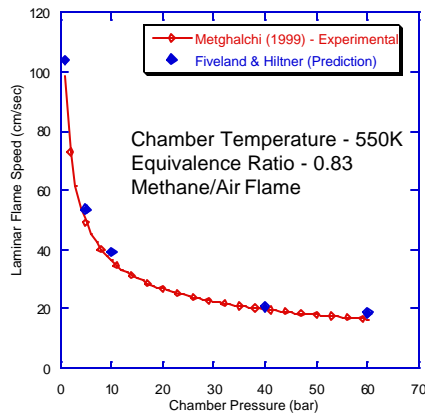
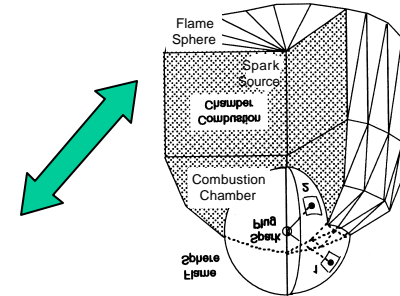
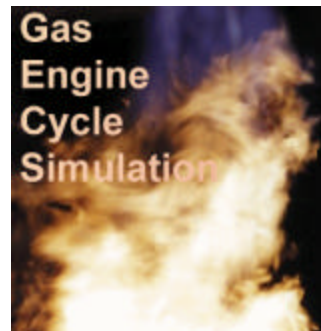
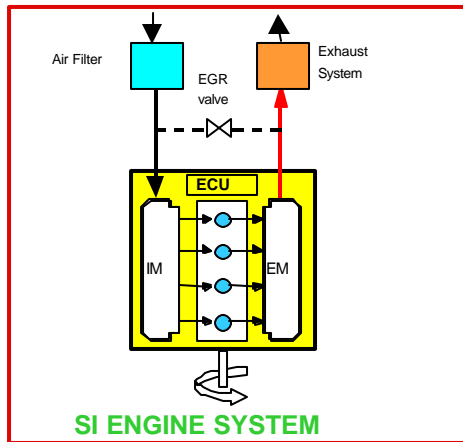
Flame Modeling



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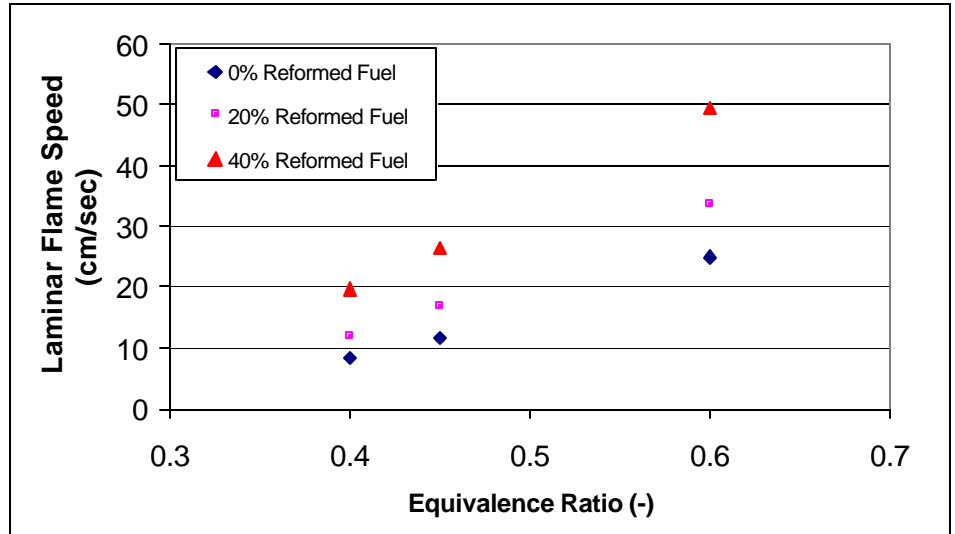
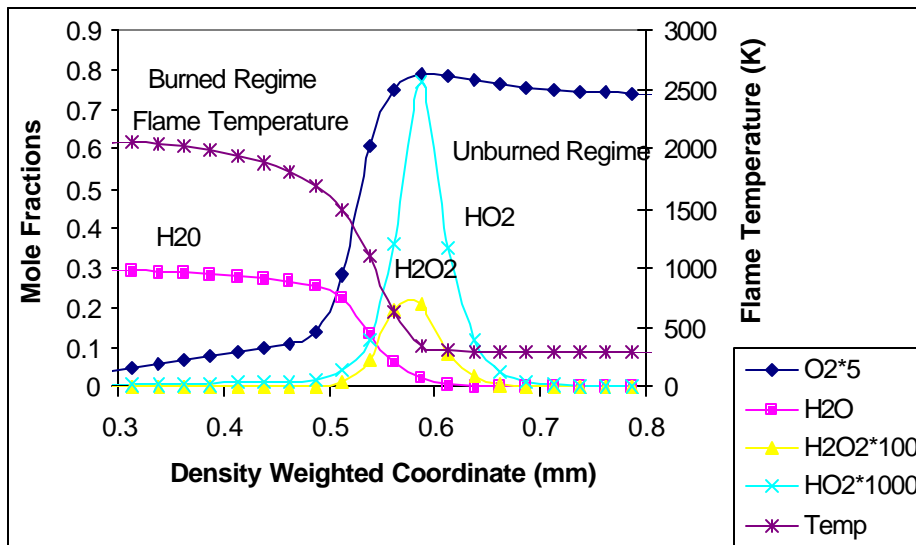
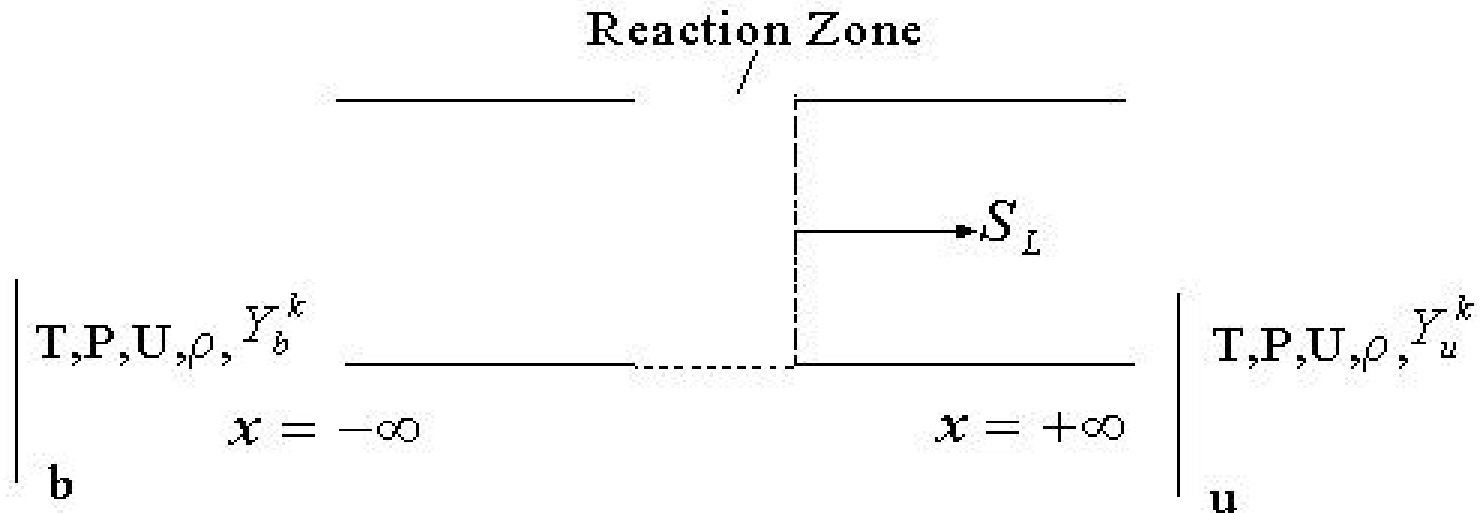
GECS* Engine Simulation Model

High Reynolds Number Flows



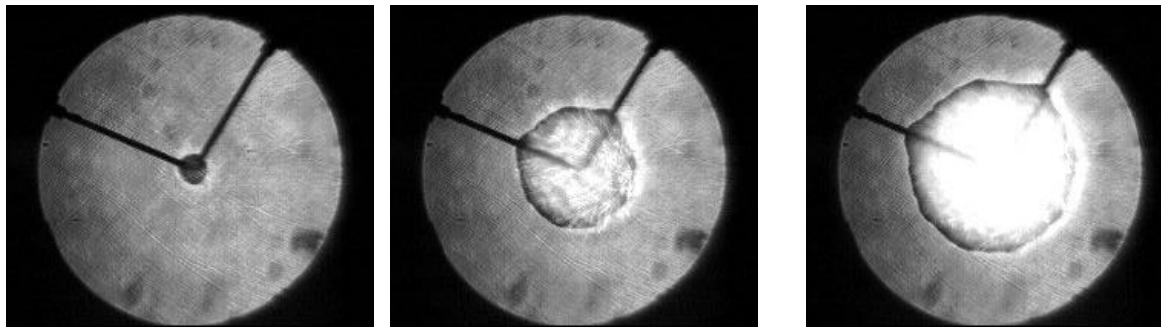
* Gas Engine Cycle Simulation

CFLAME* Result:



* Caterpillar Flame Speed Code

Flame Speed Measurements

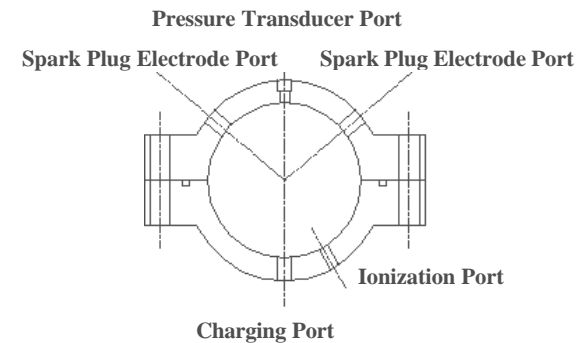


$t = 3 \text{ msec}, P/P_i = 1$

$t = 7 \text{ msec}, P/P_i = 1.05$

$t = 9 \text{ msec}, P/P_i = 1.24$

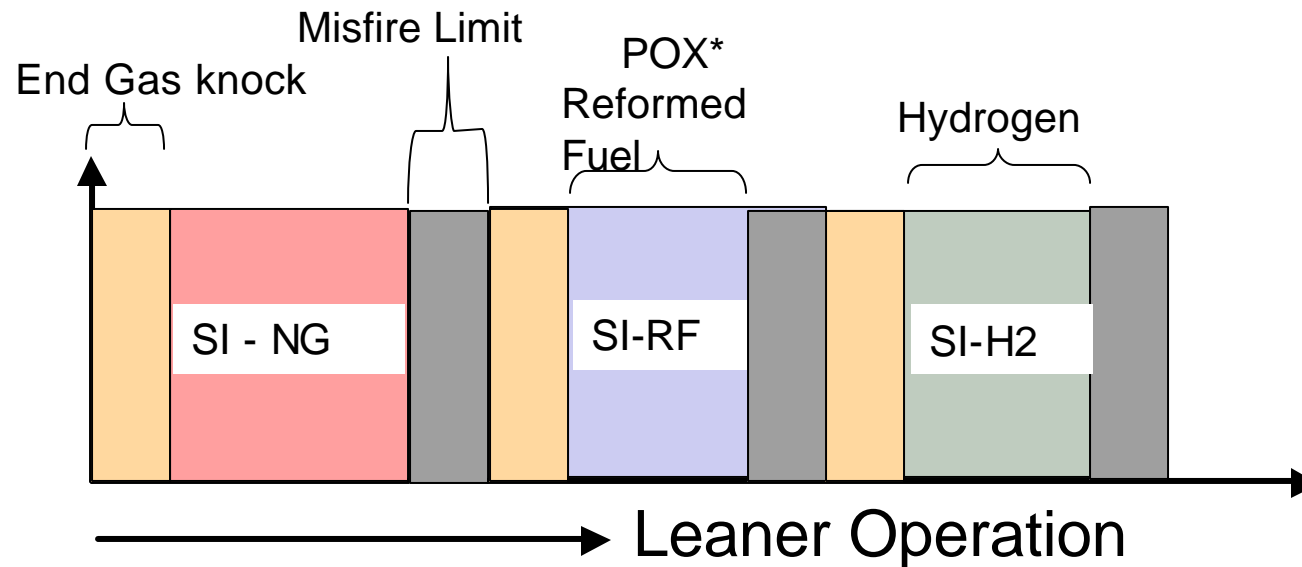
Methane/Oxygen/Argon Mixture at equivalence ratio 1.0, $P = 5 \text{ atm}$, $T = 298\text{K}$



- Experimental Facility setup with spherical and cylindrical chamber
- Challenges with flame speed measurements in gravitational field
 - Buoyancy & flame sheet cellularity -> flame stretch

Hydrogen Based Fuels

Fuel blends with great potential advantages...



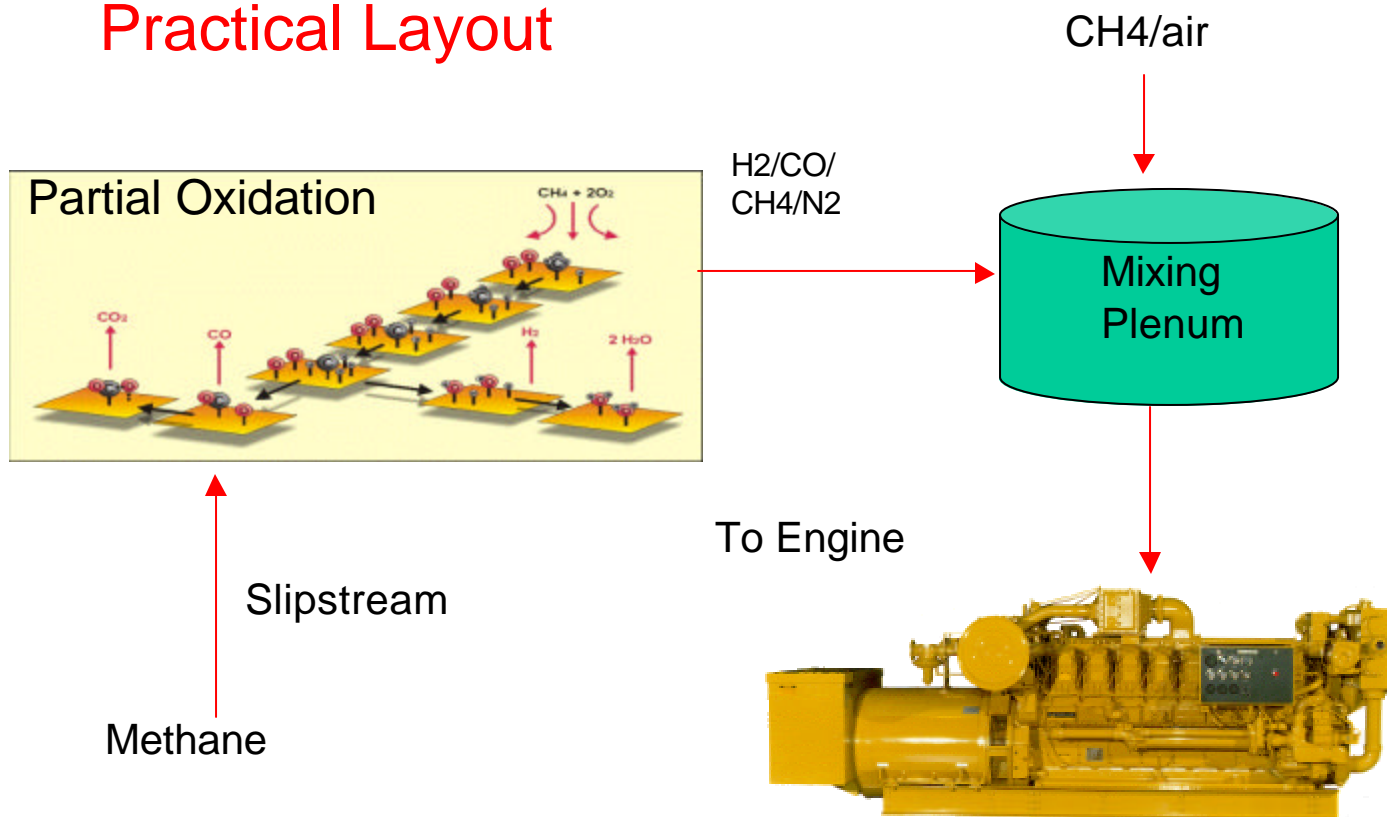
Lean Operation = Increased Efficiency and Lower Emissions

* Partial Oxidation

Reformed Fuel

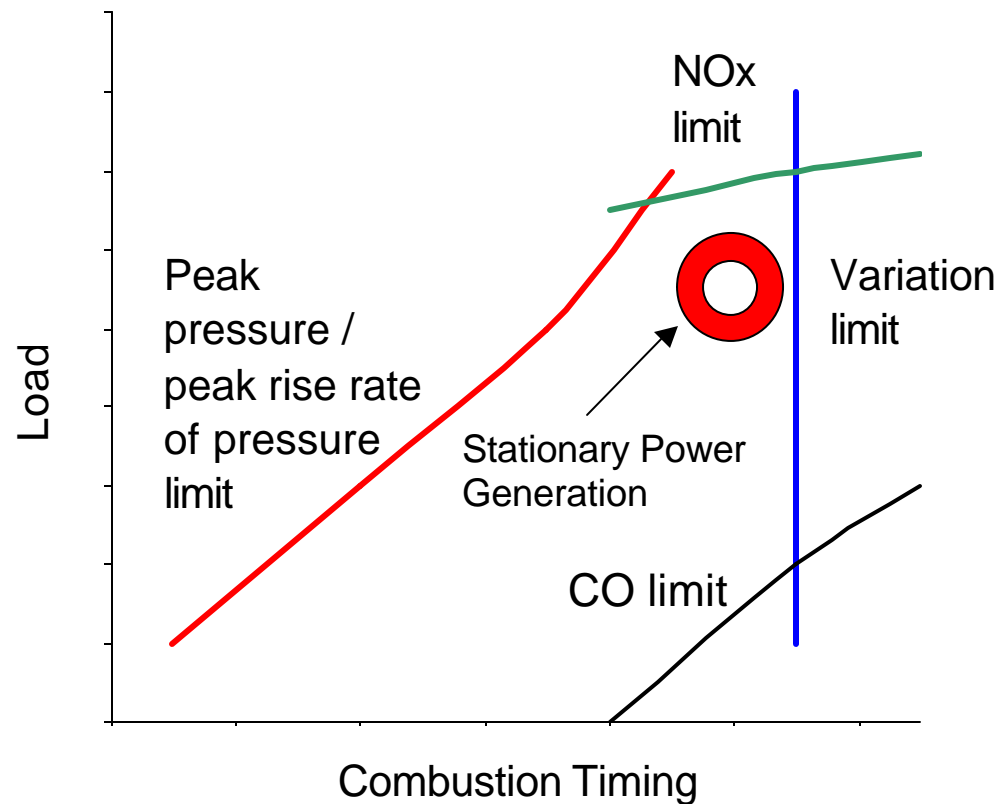
- **Objective:** Investigate the performance/emissions tradeoffs for reformed fuel engines

Practical Layout



HCCI Challenges

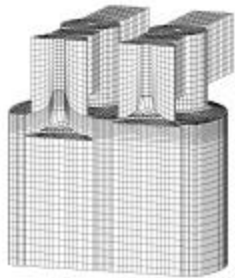
Control of Ignition Timing



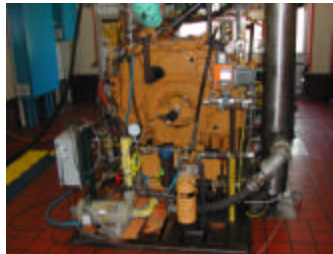
Exploring many ignition timing control possibilities

HCCI 'Active Control'

Modeling



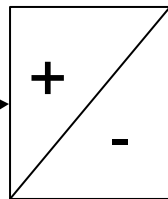
Experiments



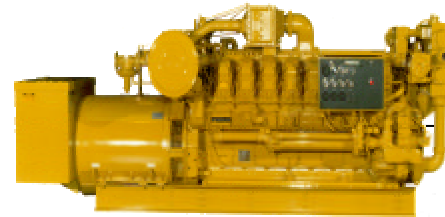
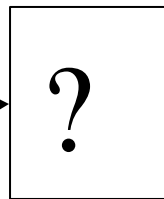
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Consortiums



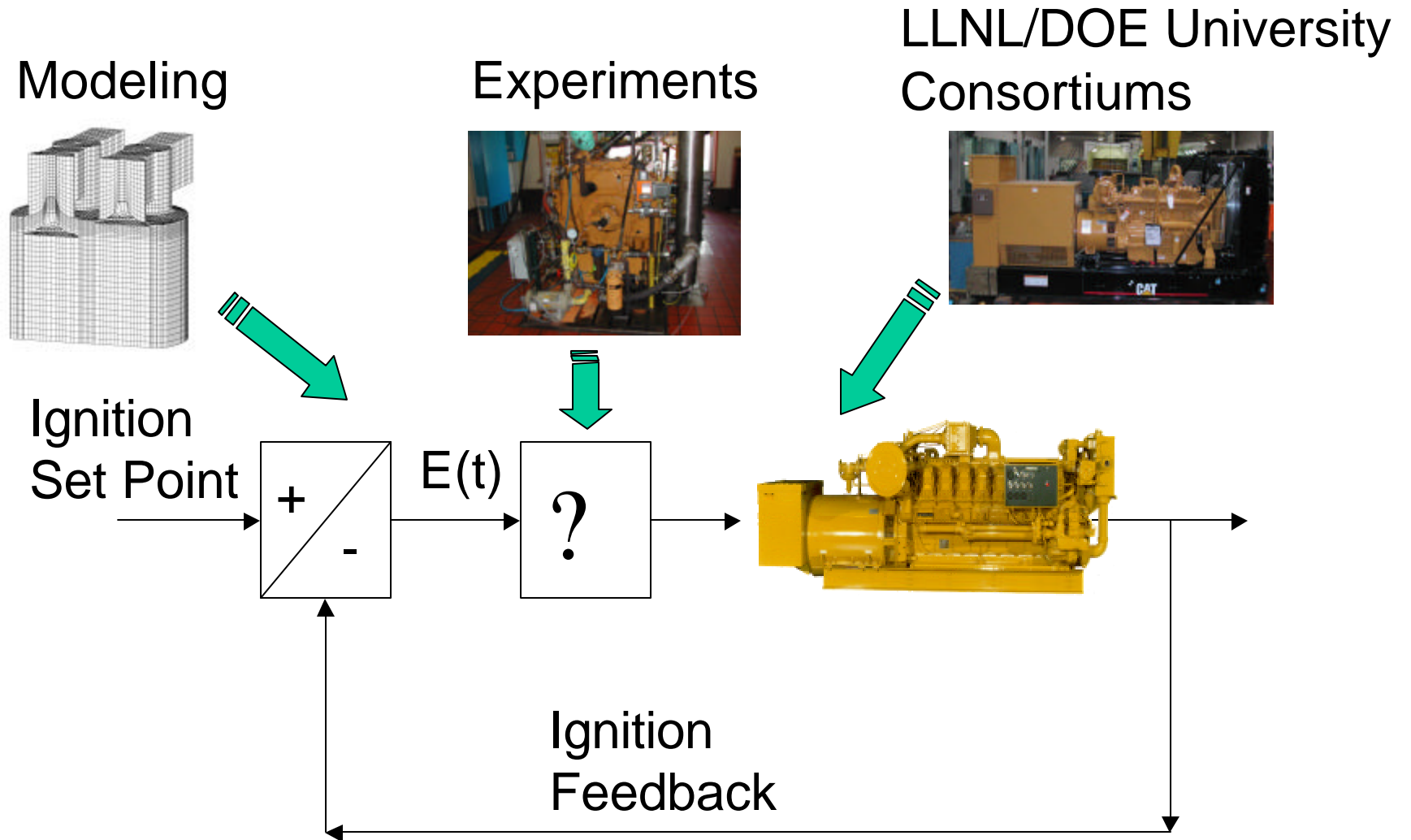
Ignition
Set Point



$E(t)$



Ignition
Feedback



Next Steps

- Investigate Analytically & Experimentally
 - Evolutions in the lean burn technology
 - Optimum reformed fuel arrangement
 - HCCI 'active-control'
 - Additional phase III building blocks (i.e. heat recovery, reduced friction, etc.)
- Refine predictive tools
 - Spark-Ignition Technologies

Project Milestones – Phase I

Main Task

Program Planning
Air System Concept Design
Market Study Completion
Single Cyl Test Engine Design
Single Cyl Test Engine Build
Basic cycle simulation model
4/02 → **Single Cyl Test Engine Operation**
SC-3* Concept Evaluation
Multi-cylinder design
Multi-cylinder build
12/03 → **Reformed Fuel Concepts**
→ **Prototype Evaluation**
Pre-Production Evaluation
Market Launch
Production

Milestone

Schedule High Level Plan
Design / Analyze Increased Pressure Ratio Turbo
Analyze market trends and ARES participation
Design basic single cylinder test engine
Procure and Build single cylinder test engine
Complete initial cycle simulation model
Startup testing of the single cylinder test engine
Fully evaluate SC-3* concepts
Design the multi-cylinder ARES engine platform
Build the multi-cylinder ARES engine platform
Preliminary evaluation of reformed fuel concepts
Field test the first multi-cylinder ARES engine platform
Complete Phase I engine pre-production validations
Launch the Phase I engine for full production
Initial shipments of the Phase 1 ARES engines

* Stoichiometric – Clean Exhaust Induction - 3 Way Catalyst

Project Milestones – Phase II

Main Task

Milestone

4/02 →	Program Planning Air System Concepts Market Study Validation Update Basic Cycle Model	Outline a High Level Plan Define air system options Validate market trends and ARES participation Complete improved cycle simulation model
12/03 →	Control System Definition Update Single Cyl Test Engine Design Update Single Cyl Test Engine Build Phase II Basic Research HEAT™ Turbo Single Cyl Test Engine Operation Phase II SC-3 Concept Evaluation Reformed Fuel Definition Other Design Integration Update Multi-cylinder design Update Multi-cylinder build / Test Prototype Evaluation Pre-Production Evaluation Market Launch Production	Define best control system options Update with Phase II concepts Build Phase II single cylinder test engine SC-3 Testing Introduce the HEAT™ Turbo design Startup testing of the Phase II SCTE Evaluate SC-3 in a Phase II configuration Begin to evaluate reformed fuel operation in Phase II Incorporate other designs to be defined Update Phase I multicylinder ARES engine to Phase II Test the Phase II multicylinder ARES engine platform Field test the Phase II multicylinder ARES engine Complete Phase II engine pre-production validations Launch the Phase II ARES engine for full production Initial shipments of the Phase II ARES engines

Project Milestones – Phase III

Main Task

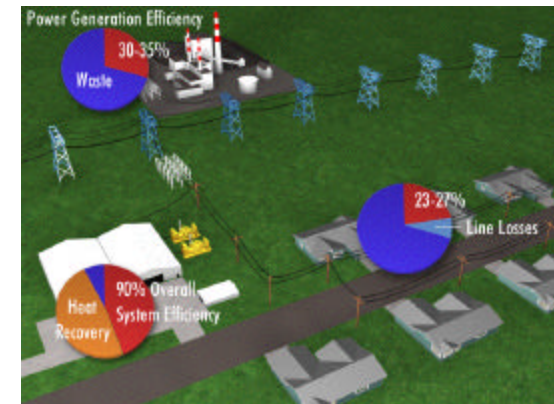
Milestone

4/02	Program Planning	Outline a High Level Plan
	Phase III Control Systems	HCCI active control system development
12/03	Phase III Basic Research	HCCI testing
	Air System Concepts	Define air system options
	Combustion System Concepts	Define combustion options
	Market Study Validation	Validate market trends and ARES participation
	Update Single Cyl Test Engine Design	Update with Phase III concepts
	Update Single Cyl Test Engine Build	Build Phase III single cylinder test engine
	Single Cyl Test Engine Operation	Startup testing of the Phase III SCTE
	Ignition System Definition	Define best ignition system options
	Other Design Integration	Incorporate other designs to be defined
	Update Multi-cylinder design	Update multicylinder ARES engine to Phase III
	Update Multi-cylinder build / Test	Test the Phase III multicylinder ARES engine
	Prototype Evaluation	Field test the Phase III multicylinder ARES engine
	Pre-Production Evaluation	Complete Phase III engine pre-production validations
	Market Launch	Launch the Phase III ARES engine for full production
	Production	Initial shipments of the Phase III ARES engines

Program Barriers and Opportunities

Significant Risks:

- Distributed Generation / CHP Markets develop slowly
- Overall program funding limits technology pace
- Impact of Aftertreatment and Catalysis Barriers in which technical advancement remains slow.



Significant Opportunities:

- Global market opportunity expansion well beyond 10GW in 2010
- DER and CHP benefits are monetized and technology pace is spurred forward
- Lower life cycle cost alternatives clearly marketed via ARES packages
- Alternative fuels development as the market expands
- Leveraged technologies to diesel platforms, and applications beyond electric power

Program Impact on DER

- Combined Heat / Power applications are more readily adapted to ARES platforms
 - More financially attractive
 - More flexibility in electricity / heat balance
- ARES platforms can be more easily adapted to the anticipated hydrogen economy.
- Gas compression engines will see improvements in efficiency and lower emissions.
- ARES will displace 10GW of alternative DER technology:

Technology	Market	Efficiency	NOx Emissions	Hrs/yr
ARES Simple Cycle	30%	50%	0.3 lb/Mw-hr	3000
ARES CHP Cycle	70%	80%	0.3 lb/Mw-hr	8000
- vs -				
Baseload CHP CT's	30%	60%	1.5 lb/Mw-hr	8000
Peaking CT's	50%	30%	1.5 lb/Mw-hr	2000
Diesel	20%	40%	10 lb/Mw-hr	1000

ARES Benefits NOX Savings = 30,000 Tons / year
Fuel Savings = 100 Tbtu / year

ARES Delivers !



Summary and Next Steps

Summary:

- Program planning and initial concept development underway.
- Phase I goals in range for 2004 commercial acceptance
 - Broad customer acceptance based on improved operating costs and emissions profile.
- Phase II goals challenging, multiple paths continue under investigation.
- Phase III program continues in the research stage.



Next Steps:

- Complete Phase I commercialization.
- Implement Phase I technology across the product line.
- Develop Phase II technical path, continue Phase III research.
- Work closely with the DOE and partners to commercialize each phase.

ARES - The Future of Broad Based Distributed Energy Resources -



QUESTIONS ?

